

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A holder for ~~a clothing~~ an article comprising:
a base having a first ~~surface~~ flat bottom for resting on the horizontal surface at the edge of a table or counter and a second upper surface; and

a hanger having a first portion and a second portion, the first portion having a first end and a second end, and the second portion defining a loop,

wherein the first end of the first portion of the hanger is pivotally connected to the base to rotate only about a generally horizontal axis when the first flat bottom is resting on a horizontal surface, said generally horizontal axis lying in a plane between the first and second surfaces of the base,

~~and the loop having an opening, when the flat bottom of the base is resting on a horizontal surface and the second portion of the hanger is pivoted to a more or less vertical position, being positionable directly below the bottom surface of the base, and~~

the loop supports the ~~clothing~~ article but does not compress the ~~clothing~~ article.

Claim 2 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a pivot joint rigidly connected to the base and wherein the first end of the first portion of the hanger is rotatably connected to the pivot joint.

Claim 3 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 2, wherein the pivot joint is connected to an outer edge of the base.

Claim 4 (Original) The holder as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a pad positioned adjacent to the base.

Claim 5 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first surface of the base and the second surface of the base each define a circular shape.

Claim 6 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the loop is a substantially closed O-shaped loop.

Claim 7 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the loop is a C-shaped loop.

Claim 8 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 7, further comprising a ball positioned at a free end of the C-shaped loop.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the article is a clothing article is selected from the group comprising a scarf and a glove.

Claim 10 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base is made from metal.

Claim 11 (Cancelled).

Claim 12 (Cancelled).

Claim 13 (Original): A holder for clothing article comprising:
a base having a first surface, a second surface, and an outer edge; and
a hanger having a first portion and a substantially closed O-shaped second portion, the first portion having a first end pivotally connected to the base,
wherein when the clothing article is positioned in the substantially closed O-shaped loop, the substantially closed O-shaped loop supports the clothing article but does not compress the clothing article.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The holder as claimed in claim 13, further comprising a stem positioned between the second end of the first portion of the hanger and the substantially closed O-shaped second portion of the hanger.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The holder as claimed in claim 14, wherein the stem of the substantially closed O-shaped second portion of the hanger intersects the

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second end of the first portion of the hanger, such that an angle is defined between the first portion of the hanger and the substantially closed O-shaped second portion of the hanger.

Claim 16 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 13, wherein the hanger is pivotally connected to the base.

Claim 17 (Original): The holder as claimed in claim 13, further comprising a pad positioned on the base.

Claim 18 (New): A holder for a clothing article comprising:
a base having a first surface and a second surface; and
a hanger having a first portion and a second portion, the first portion having a first end and a second end, and the second portion defining a substantially closed O-shaped loop,

wherein the first end of the first portion of the hanger is connected to the base, and the loop supports the clothing article but does not compress the clothing article.